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**Subject:** Shutdown of the Blueprint for Health's Vermont Clinical Registry

Dear Blueprint Practice Contact:

You are receiving this email because you were recently listed for the above organization as the Blueprint-For-Health practice contact in the Blueprint web portal (<https://blueprintforhealthportal.vermont.gov>).

I'm writing to inform your practice that the Vermont Clinical Registry, managed by the Blueprint for Health program and operated by Capitol Health Associates LLC (with staff including Hans Kastensmith and Katie McGee), will be shut down permanently, effective December 31, 2019. This change is being implemented as part of efforts by the State of Vermont to reallocate limited technology funding and to further consolidate major Health Information Technology (HIT) systems to achieve greater efficiencies. Future collection, aggregation, and authorized distribution of clinical data from electronic health record systems in Vermont will be managed and implemented by Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL) (<https://www.vitl.net>).

After December 31, 2019, the Blueprint for Health program will no longer operate or offer its own clinical data registry relevant to Meaningful Use of HIT under the Promoting Interoperability Program (<https://healthdata.vermont.gov/ehrip>). Further information regarding use of a clinical data registry for the purposes of Meaningful Use and the Promoting Interoperability Program for program year 2019 can be found at the below links:

<https://healthdata.vermont.gov/ehrip/PY2019/PH/VT+>

[https://healthdata.vermont.gov/sites/healthdata/files/pdfs/EHRIP/PY2019\\_MU3\\_PH\\_DocAid\\_5\\_ClinDataReg\\_VT\\_V1.1.docx](https://healthdata.vermont.gov/sites/healthdata/files/pdfs/EHRIP/PY2019_MU3_PH_DocAid_5_ClinDataReg_VT_V1.1.docx)

Vermont's Promoting Interoperability Program will be updating their website for program year 2020 and disseminating information as it becomes available. Promoting Interoperability questions can be sent to [AHS.DVHAEHRIP@vermont.gov](mailto:AHS.DVHAEHRIP@vermont.gov).

In the future, the Blueprint for Health program will obtain any clinical data released to it by healthcare organizations for measurement purposes via information systems at VITL. As a result, please do continue your practice's efforts to send clinical data to VITL.

Going forward, any questions regarding the status of your practice's engagement with, or data submissions to, the Vermont Clinical Registry in calendar year 2019 can be addressed to me at the Blueprint for Health program. Thank you for all of your practice's work to share clinical data with the Blueprint for measurement and quality improvement purposes.

- Tim

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